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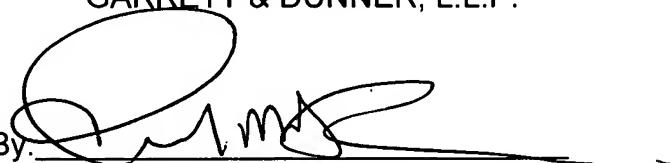
STATUS INQUIRY

According to our records, Applicants filed a Petition for Extension of Time and a Reply to Office Action on January 5, 2006. Applicants have not yet received any further communications from the Patent Office in this application.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Patent Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicants is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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